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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Section of Environmental Analysis

**ARRC NORTHERN RAIL EXTENSION PROJECT**  
**Environmental Impact Statement****COMMENT FORM**

Your input is an important element in the scoping phase of this project. To help us incorporate your views and suggestions, please provide your comments below and mail to the address preprinted on the back of this form. Please write legibly. You may attach additional sheets if necessary.

Please include your name and address so that we can add you to our mailing list if you would like to receive subsequent information on the project. Thank you for taking the time to provide us with your comments.

**Comment deadline is: January 13, 2006.**

Comments may be submitted today,  
or sent to:

Surface Transportation Board  
Case Control Unit  
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**What potential environmental issues and impacts are you concerned about?**

I AM OPPOSED TO A ROUTE THROUGH THE  
EIELSON FARM COMMUNITY. DUE TO THE MANY  
HAY FARMS MOOSE DENSITY IN THE PROPOSED  
ROUTES WOULD CAUSE SERIOUS TRAIN KILLS OF  
MOOSE IN THE ROUTE AREA. GREAT HORN OWLS  
NEST IN THIS AREA THEY WOULD BE DISPLACED

BEYOND WILDLIFE IMPACTS THE ROUTES WOULD  
TREMENDOUSLY EFFECT THE HOMES OF MANY  
RESIDENTS. IN SOME CASES GOING BETWEEN  
HOUSES WITH HORSES AND DOG TEAMS  
REQUIRING SECURE FENCES ON BOTH SIDES  
OF TRACKS.

WITH UNDEVELOPED LAND ON BOTH SIDES  
OF THE EIELSON FARM COMMUNITY I FEEL  
THESE AREAS SHOULD BE INVESTIGATED FOR THE  
ROUTE.

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